

ARRANGE DETAILS FOR MASS-MEETING

Martin and Swanson Club Will Be Organized in Petersburg.

DEATH OF HONORED CITIZEN

Cooper Murder Case Continued. Campaign for Proposed Y. M. C. A. Home.

Times-Dispatch Bureau, 109 North Sycamore Street, Petersburg, Va., August 22.

A meeting of the general committee appointed to arrange the details for the mass-meeting of the friends and supporters of Senators Martin and Swanson and for the organization of a Martin and Swanson Club, was held last night in the law offices of John D. Watkins, with R. P. Barham presiding. The meeting was fully attended, all the friends being represented. Matters incident to the campaign were discussed. Lists of the qualified voters in each ward were furnished the respective committees, with instructions that the status of the voters should be ascertained. The mass-meeting will be held in A. P. Hill Camp Hall on Friday night. A committee of three, consisting of John D. Watkins, chairman; H. T. Dorman and W. G. Andrews, was appointed to draft a plan of organization, to be submitted to this meeting.

Death of Honored Citizen. Benjamin W. Sloum, an old and highly respected citizen, died this afternoon at 1 o'clock, at the residence of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Richard H. Mann, in Blandford, after a very brief illness, in the seventy-eighth year of his age. Mr. Sloum was a recent sufferer from rheumatism, from which he had apparently recovered. He was up with the family last night, and retired without complaint. He was taken suddenly ill about 4 o'clock this morning, becoming unconscious, and death resulted as above stated.

Mr. Sloum was a native of New York State, but came to Virginia a few years prior to the war. When the war began he promptly sided with the South, enlisted in the Confederate Army and served throughout the entire conflict. After the war he went for many years an engineer on the Norfolk and Western Railway, and for the past twenty-six years was the engineer at the Central State Hospital. He retired from this latter position about a year ago on account of his health. Mr. Sloum was the oldest Odd-Fellow and Knight Templar in Petersburg, having joined the former organization in 1855. He was a member of A. P. Hill Camp of Confederate Veterans. Mr. Sloum was a man of the highest character, honorable in all his dealings and possessed the respect of all who knew him. The funeral will take place from Blandford Methodist Episcopal Church to-morrow afternoon. He was a near cousin of Major-General H. W. Sloum and brother of Colonel Paul E. Sloum, of the Federal Army.

Murder Case Continued. The case of Leona Cooper, the negro charged with the murder of his wife a week ago and throwing her body in the river to hide the crime, was called in the Police Court this morning for hearing, but in the absence of an important witness was continued for one week.

Case Dismissed. The charges against several hotel proprietors and manufacturers of fall-



The First Showing of Knox Hats For Fall season Nineteen Hundred and Eleven will take place to-day.

Gans-Rady Company

ing to comply with the provisions of the State law, in erecting suitable fire-escapes on their buildings, were dismissed in the Police Court this morning. The defendants showed that they had sometime since awarded contracts for the placing of fire-escapes on their buildings, but that there had been delay, through no fault of their own, in securing the escapes. They promised to have them up in thirty days, and the charges were dismissed.

Death in Prince George. Mrs. Holmes Winfree, widow of Dr. J. W. Winfree, died yesterday at her residence in Prince George county. She was in her seventy-ninth year, and is survived by four daughters—Mrs. J. H. Pulliam, Mrs. Charles Connor, Mrs. Benjamin Fenner and Mrs. J. S. Taylor. The funeral will be from Old Blandford Church to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, with burial in the adjacent cemetery.

For Y. M. C. A. Home. A. W. Walsh, of Suffolk, the newly elected secretary of the Petersburg Young Men's Christian Association, is in the city to-day, in consultation with members of the board of directors and friends of the association relative to the proposed campaign to raise funds for building the new home. This campaign, it is expected, will take place in the fall.

Serious Cutting Affair. During a quarrel on Brown's Alley last night, Sarah Osborne, colored, was badly cut and injured by a negro known by the nickname of "My Fox." The weapon used was a razor, and the woman was swiped across the abdomen from side to side. The negro escaped and the woman is said to be in a very precarious condition.

Assault With a Hammer. Charles Minor, a resident of West Street, last night swore out a warrant charging his brother-in-law, Malley Burnett, with assaulting him at his home with a brick and a hammer. Minor showed a number of cuts and bruises on his head as evidence of the assault. Burnett has not yet been arrested.

Matters in Police Court. Two little negro boys, twelve and thirteen years old, were prisoners in the Police Court on the charge of housebreaking and robbery. On account of their youth they were ordered to be whipped, and the lash was applied with the utmost unction by a relative.

Cornelius Jones was charged with highway robbery. He was adjudged guilty of simple larceny, and was sent to jail for thirty days. He got an additional thirty days for escaping from an officer about a year ago.

Tom Frazier, an obstreperous negro, drew a fine and twenty days in jail for resisting the officer who arrested him.

For Commonwealth's Attorney. The public announcement by Commonwealth's Attorney R. H. Mann that after the expiration of his present term he would not be a candidate for re-election, has given rise to a good deal of interest as to who will offer for his successor. The names of several of the younger members of the bar have been mentioned for the office by their friends. But the election is

a good way off, and plenty of time will be allowed aspirants to reflect over the matter.

News in General. The Old Market building is to be repaired and put in good condition at a cost of about \$1,500. New stalls are to be put in, and about everything about the building is to be made new. Vina Hill, a colored girl, went suddenly and violently insane on the street yesterday afternoon, and it required the strong arms of several men to control her. She was subsequently sent to the State Hospital.

WILL BE BURIED TO-DAY

Body of John W. Gates Arrives in New York From Paris. New York, August 22.—The body of the late John W. Gates, who died in Paris recently, arrived to-day on the steamship Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse. Mrs. Gates and her son, Charles G. Gates, accompanied the body. The funeral of Mr. Gates will be held to-morrow morning at the Hotel Plaza, West, including a delegation of citizens of Port Arthur, Texas, will attend the services which will be conducted by the Rev. Wallace MacMillen, D. D.

IMPERILED BY CORK LEG

Swimmer's Head Submerged by Buoyancy of Cork Leg. Lynn, Mass., August 22.—William Greene's cork leg came near being the death of him last night. Greene got beyond his depth while bathing, and his artificial limb was so buoyant that his feet flew into the air and his head was forced under water. He was saved by a college girl, who was out boating with a young man, who grabbed Greene by the hair and held his head out of the water while her escort rowed to shore with Greene dragging behind the boat.

ARMY MAN ENDS LIFE

Despondency Over Separation From Sweetheart Cause of Suicide. Leavenworth, Kan., August 22.—Sergeant Ferdinand Bantendick, Company D, United States Infantry, stationed at Leavenworth, committed suicide to-day by shooting himself through the head with an army rifle. He is said to have been despondent because of separation from his sweetheart, Sergeant Bantendick's wife, who is in Chicago. He had been in the army fifteen years.

HAREM SKIRTS AND BIG HATS ARE DENOUNCED BY PREACHER

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Harrisonburg, Va., August 22.—The Central Valley Christian Conference adjourned at Leaksville, Page county, to meet next year at Linville, four miles north of Harrisonburg. A feature of the conference was the report of the committee of moral reform, in which State-wide prohibition was championed, and the use of tobacco, especially cigarettes, was discouraged. Rev. J. L. Foster, of Elon College, N. C., denounced hobbles and harem skirts, his hat and what he described as the almost invisible hose.

CONVICTED A SECOND TIME.

South Boston "Blind Tiger" Goes to Jail for Six Months. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) South Boston, Va., August 22.—A. B. Grasty (colored), convicted on July 11 on two charges of selling liquor under a \$500 bond, was again arrested Saturday and tried before Mayor Shepherd to-day for the same offense. He was again found guilty, fined \$100, his bond declared forfeited and required to give another bond of \$1,000, in default of which he went to jail for six months. His counsel gave notice of appeal from the Mayor's decision to the Circuit Court of Halifax.

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Virginia—Fair Wednesday; Thursday, fair; cooler in Western; light to moderate, variable winds. North Carolina—Fair Wednesday; Thursday, local showers and cooler west; fair east portions; light to moderate, variable winds.

CONDITIONS YESTERDAY.
Tuesday midnight temperature... 70
3 P. M. temperature... 79
Humidity... 49
Wind, direction... N. E.
Wind, velocity... 4
Weather... Clear
12 noon temperature... 81
3 P. M. temperature... 81
Maximum temperature up to 8
P. M. temperature... 86
Minimum temperature up to 8
P. M. temperature... 58
Mean temperature... 77
Normal temperature... 77
Deficiency in temperature... 5
Deficiency in temperature since March 1... 125
Accum. excess in temperature since January 1... 24
Deficiency in rainfall since March 1... 9.54
Accum. deficiency in rainfall since January 1... 9.81

CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.
(At 5 P. M. Eastern Standard Time.)
Place Ther. H.T. L.T. Weather.
Asheville... 72 78 64 Clear
Atlanta... 76 82 68 Clear
Atlantic City... 74 79 64 Cloudy
Boston... 60 72 60 Clear
Buffalo... 76 78 70 Clear
Cincinnati... 58 68 48 P. cloudy
Charleston... 78 82 68 P. cloudy
Chicago... 64 70 64 Cloudy
Denver... 61 70 60 P. cloudy
Detroit... 56 64 56 Clear
Galveston... 84 88 80 P. cloudy
Hatteras... 71 81 74 Clear
Havre... 66 66 66 Clear
Jacksonville... 76 81 74 Cloudy
Kansas City... 74 79 64 Clear
Louisville... 82 88 68 Cloudy
Montgomery... 82 86 70 Clear
New Orleans... 78 86 76 Rain
New York... 68 74 68 Clear
Norfolk... 74 78 74 Clear
Oklahoma... 78 80 76 P. cloudy
Pittsburg... 82 86 68 P. cloudy
Raleigh... 78 84 64 Clear
St. Louis... 76 78 70 Cloudy
St. Paul... 66 66 52 Clear
San Francisco... 66 66 52 P. cloudy
Savannah... 76 82 68 Clear
Spokane... 71 76 52 P. cloudy
Tampa... 70 84 70 Cloudy
Washington... 76 86 68 Clear
Winnipeg... 64 64 59 Cloudy
Wytheville... 72 80 62 Clear

MINIATURE ALMANAC.
Wednesday, August 22.
Sun rises... 5:32 Morning... 8:29
Sun sets... 6:53 Evening... 4:04

CONGRESS ENDS SPECIAL SESSION

(Continued from First Page.)

ments either upon American industries or upon the revenues of the government."

Reasons for Veto. Briefly reviewing the manner in which the iron and steel and chemical amendments were added to the bill, the President said:

"I cannot make myself a party to dealing with the industries of the country in this way. The industries covered by metals and the manufacture of metals are the largest in the country, and it would seem not only wise, but absolutely essential, to acquire accurate information as to the effect of changes which may vitally affect these industries before enacting them into law."

Speaking of the cotton industry, the President said the capital invested in 1909 amounted to \$321,000,000; the value of the product to \$423,000,000; the number of wage-earners to 375,000, making with dependents, a total of at least 1,200,000 persons affected, with annual wages of \$146,000,000. The bill would not have gone into effect the January 1 next, and Mr. Taft said the tariff board would be ready with a report before that time. Investigation by the House Ways and Means Committee, Mr. Taft said, was purely for the purpose of preparing a bill on a tariff for revenue basis.

"I do not support a policy of moderate protection," he added, "I cannot approve a measure which violates its principle."

The President denounced the bill as "empirical and haphazard." This, he declared, was especially true of the chemical schedule, which had been revised in such a way as to increase the tax on certain chemicals, instead of reducing them.

"These," said the President, "are some of the typical inconsistencies and instances of haste in preparation and of the error of the calculation in the proposed sweeping horizontal reduction of a most important schedule in the tariff."

ASSAULT UNPROVOKED

Lieutenant Whittier Was Murdered Deliberately by Thugs. Boston, Mass., August 22.—A court of inquiry was held in the ward room of the revenue cutter Androscoog yesterday on the death of Lieutenant William Whittier, of North Berwick, Me., executive officer of the cutter, who died Sunday as a result of the severe blows received from unknown men on Saturday night while he was passing through the North End. Captain Bert, of the Androscoog, conducted the investigation, and several companions of Lieutenant Whittier, including George H. Farwell and Frank E. Gleason, Insurance clerks, who were with him without provocation, stated that the attack was unprovoked. In addition to the government investigation the North End police also started one yesterday.

Mr. Cunningham Improves.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Lynchburg, Va., August 22.—A night letter received this morning from relatives of W. R. Cunningham, at Milwaukee, show that there has been a marked improvement in the condition of Mr. Cunningham during the past twenty-four hours. In addition to being better otherwise, Mr. Cunningham has regained his ability to talk, and last night joked with his brothers, who were at his bedside in the hospital.

Edmund Schaeffer.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Lynchburg, Va., August 22.—Edmund Schaeffer, for years a prominent business man of Lynchburg, died last yesterday after having been in ill health for several months. He was born in Bremen, Germany, sixty years ago, and came to America in 1872. His wife and the following four sons survive: Edmund Schaeffer, Jr., of Lynchburg; Charles M. and F. August Schaeffer, of Pittsburg; and Eugene C. Schaeffer, of Lynchburg.

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CONDITIONS FAVORABLE.

National Weekly Bureau Bulletin on Weather. August 22.—The continuation of frequent showers in the central portion of the cotton belt, with much cloudy weather, was generally unfavorable, but in the Eastern portions local showers and sunshine prevailed, and conditions were, as a rule, favorable, although more rain is needed in portions of Georgia and the Carolinas, says the National Weekly Weather Bureau bulletin, issued to-day for the week ending yesterday.

West of the Mississippi the week continued unusually warm. Heavy rains occurred in portions of Arkansas, and there were some local showers in Northern and Eastern Texas, but over the greater part of that State, as well as the whole of Oklahoma, there was practically no rain as during the preceding week, and the ground is again becoming dry.

Conditions by States follow: Virginia—Sunny, high day temperatures, well distributed showers occurred early in week.

North Carolina—Rainfall irregularly distributed, heavy in central and southeastern portions, light elsewhere; rain much needed in west; temperature and sunshine above normal.

South Carolina—Temperature and sunshine above normal, precipitation considerably below normal.

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Signed, W. S. FORBES,

President

We will have more to say on this subject later.

NORFOLK VOTERS HEAR MONTAGUE

Denounces State Organization and Pleads for Restoration of Pure Democracy.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Norfolk, Va., August 22.—Ex-Governor A. J. Montague spoke to-night to a crowd that filled the Granby Theatre on behalf of the candidacy for the United States Senate of Jones and Glass. Every inch of standing room was occupied, and scores went away, unable to get into the building. Because of a breakdown of the engine of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, Governor Montague did not arrive until nearly 9 o'clock, but the crowd that packed the house waited patiently for over an hour. In referring to the death of Governor Montague, he said: "The death of Governor Montague is a great loss to the State. His speech was a scathing denunciation of the political organization in Virginia, and a plea for the restoration of pure democracy. He reviewed the Thompson letters, referred to a contest between Martin and General Fitzhugh Lee for the Senate and condemned the action of the Legislature in remaining in session a few days to 'do honor to the remains of Senator Daniel' before his death. 'Has anything more gruesome or hypocritical ever happened in Virginia?' he asked. Referring to Senator Elyson's part in the politics of the State since 1890 Governor Montague said he 'never thought he was a very important factor one way or the other.' No new points were brought out bearing upon the more recent issues of the campaign. He declared Senator Swanson's confession as to his transaction in tobacco trust stock made him unfit for the Senate by his own confession."

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AUTOMOBILE PARTY IN FATAL ACCIDENT

Driver of Machine Instantly Killed and Others, Including Richmond Woman, Injured—Machine Turns Completely Over.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Hendersonville, N. C., August 22.—Death and disaster perched on the seats of a Hendersonville automobile party which left here this morning at 4 o'clock for Spartanburg, S. C., and which ended with the instant death of the driver of the machine and the possible fatal injury of two passengers. S. A. Pruitt, of Hendersonville, driving his public service car, was instantly killed this morning at 5 o'clock between here and Spartanburg.

Two of his passengers were probably fatally injured. In the car with Pruitt were Mrs. Rodgers, of Macon, Ga., a wealthy widow; Mrs. Meanley, of Richmond; Mrs. Hagaman, of Black Mountain, N. C.; and C. P. Barnett, of Jacksonville, Fla. They were all registered at Lake View Hotel with the exception of Mr. Barnett. The party left Monday night in a machine for Asheville in company with a prominent Asheville man who remained there.

They returned to Hendersonville about 3 o'clock Tuesday morning. The driver of the public service machine they had been using declined to carry them to Spartanburg. They then summoned Pruitt's machine, and at 4 o'clock this morning left for Spartanburg.

The dead driver was forty years old, and leaves a wife and two children, and was counted a very careful and competent man. He lost control of his car in trying to swerve it from a ditch on the cut-off between the national highway route and Greers, S. C. The machine turned completely over, crushing Pruitt to death, breaking the back of one of the women passengers, breaking the leg of another, and inflicting serious bruises upon the others.

The injured are being cared for at a nearby farm house. The remains of Pruitt were brought here to-night. The funeral will be to-morrow.

It is stated that Mrs. Hagaman and Mrs. Meanley escaped with slight injuries, while Mr. Barnett was not injured at all.

Relatives Hear of Injury. Macon, Ga., August 22.—Relatives here stated to-night that Mrs. Marshall Rodgers, a wealthy widow of leading social prominence, is at present suffering in North Carolina.

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